



Interview Practice Questions

General Questions

What are your career or educational objectives? What actions have you taken toward achieving them?

What are some specific tasks you've completed that directly contributed to accomplishing a team goal?

Building Relationships

Describe a situation in which you had difficulty getting along with someone at school? How did you handle it?

Interacting with others can be challenging at times. Describe a situation in which you wished you'd acted differently with someone at school.

Applied Learning

Which course in school was the easiest for you, and which was the most difficult? Why?

What was the most difficult task you had to learn on your last job? How did you learn it?

Continuous Learning

What was the most difficult class you took in school? How did you master it?

Tell me about a skill you learned in school that you've put to practical use.

Work Standard

In school or in your last job, how do you define doing a good job?

Stress Tolerance

Describe a time when you faced conflicting demands at school. What were the demands? How did you respond?

Detail/Quality Orientation

Tell me about a detailed class project that you worked on. How did you keep track of the details? How did the project turn out?

Managing Work/Time Management

Tell me about a time when your school course load was very heavy. What steps did you take to get all your work done?



Interview Practice Questions Engineering-related

What do you enjoy most/least about engineering?

What new skills have you developed during the past year?

What is your overall career objective? Do you see yourself working in engineering ten years from now?

Describe a time when you used your engineering knowledge to solve a problem for which there appeared to be no answer.

I expect the engineer that I hire for this position to be precise – detailed oriented in everything he or she does. What checks and balances do you use to make sure that you don't make mistakes?

Give me an example of a time when you had to teach a skill to others.

Some of the best-engineered ideas are born out of an individual's ability to challenge ways of thinking. Tell me about a time when you were successful in do this.

Tell me about a time when a project team effort that you were involved in failed.

What do you get out of engineering that you couldn't get from any other kind of work?

In the field of engineering, priorities often change quickly. Give me an example of a time when that happened. How did you handle it?

How can you best use your engineering education and prior work experience to help a company grow?

What personal characteristics do you feel are necessary to be a successful engineer?